

Professional Learning Guide: The following is a sample protocol that school-wide or teacher Professional Learning teams might use to begin conversations of why literacy provides crucial conversations. This should take approximately 45-60 minutes.

Focus: Why is Literacy an Important Focus

Topic for Discussion: Shanahan Blog on Is it Fair to Expect the College Bound to Read

Step 1:	Download the Shanahan PPT power point from the TDOE website. The power point can be located from the <i>Leaders Resources</i> .
Step 2:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Have participants pre-read the Shanahan article or have table groups read the short article together. 2. Have participants read the discussion questions on slide three. 3. Debrief as table and then share out. You can also share out with chart paper responses and gallery walk the discussion answers.
Step 3:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Share the Read About It-Think About It-Talk About It-Write About It Framework. 5. Discuss what this looks like in classrooms with slide 5. 5. Have participants complete the sample reading and writing activity on slide 6 as table groups. 6. Complete debrief on slide 7.
Step 4:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Share LDC modules as sample exemplars for reading and writing tasks. (You can do with one model or have tables explore different LDC tasks). 8. Debrief this activity and have participants discuss how the LDC module provides the opportunities on Slide 8. <p>Optional: Have staff members try an LDC module and share out at next PL opportunity.</p>

